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BASE-BALL.

WATSESSING AND BLOOMFIELD CLUBS WILL MEET AGAIN THIS AFTERNOON.

Game Will Be Played on Arlington Avenue Grounds—An Exciting Contest Anticipated—Local Clubs Were Victors in Saturday's Games.

The Fourth of July base-ball games between the Watseessing and Bloomfield clubs was a great surprise to many base-ball enthusiasts when they discovered that the two clubs were so evenly matched on that day. The general impression among Watseessingites was that their club was very much superior to the Bloomfield club, but the Fourth of July games dispelled that illusion. Each team won a game on the Fourth, and scores were low in both games. The two clubs will meet again this afternoon on the Arlington avenue grounds, and there is going to be a great game, so the knowing ones say.

Manager Dodd of the Bloomfield team reached the height of his ambition as a club manager this season when his team downed Watseessing on the afternoon of the Fourth. On the other hand, Manager Dalley of the Watseessing felt crestfallen over the defeat of his team, and he has admonished the boys not to let it occur again. Waterfield, who puzzled the Watseessing in the last game, will pitch for Bloomfield this afternoon, and Andrew will catch. Coughlin and Frank Elor are likely to be the battery for Watseessing. Several changes have occurred in the makeup of the latter team recently, and the Bloomfield team has also been strengthened.

By a whirlwind finish in the last inning, the Bloomfield B. B. C. defeated the Orange Field Club Saturday by the score of 7 to 6. The two runs in the ninth, which decided the game, were caused by Hague's sacrifice, safeties by Cook and Andrew, and a two-bagger by Hambacher. The score:

BLOOMFIELD.	A. B.	R.	H.	E.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Hague, L. F.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Andrew, C.	5	2	2	7	0	0	0	0
E. Cook, R.	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Waterfield, J.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Wambacher, C.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Franklin, A.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
W. Cook, R.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hambacher, C.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	35	12	11	7	0	0	0	0

ORANGE F. C.	A. B.	R.	H.	E.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Coughlin, R.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Wambacher, C.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Franklin, A.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
W. Cook, R.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hambacher, C.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Franklin, A.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
W. Cook, R.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hambacher, C.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	35	12	11	7	0	0	0	0

First base on errors—Bloomfield 3, Orange 2. Struck out—by Waterfield 1, by Reeves 2. First base on balls—by Waterfield 4, by Reeves 4. Umpire—Ackerman.

Last Saturday's game with the Clifton was a good one, both teams hitting hard and fielding well. These two clubs will play again at Watseessing on next Saturday, and as the rivalry is intense another fine game may be looked for. Saturday's score was as follows:

WATSEESSING.	A. B.	R.	H.	E.	P.	O.	A.	E.
O'Neil, J.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
O'Dalley, J. F.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
O'Dalley, J. B.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bradley, C.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Korrick, L.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Leamon, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
P. Ferguson, R.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Coughlin, R.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
J. Ferguson, C.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	35	12	11	7	0	0	0	0

CLIFTON A. C.	A. B.	R.	H.	E.	P.	O.	A.	E.
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seaman, S.	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	35	12	11	7	0	0	0	0

Robbery's Women Robbed. A robbery was committed at the residence of Charles L. Seibert, corner of Newark and Berkeley avenues, on Tuesday night. The thief or thieves gained entrance to the house by prying open a window. A number of articles of jewelry belonging to the Misses Seibert were stolen. Most of the jewelry was taken from Miss Pauline Seibert's room.

Mrs. Seibert made the discovery that a thief had been in the house. She awoke about two o'clock in the morning and was surprised that the door leading to her daughter's room was open. She arose to investigate, and found that the house had been burglarized. A telephone message was sent at once to the police station, and Officer Bayliss responded to the call, but he could obtain no clue to the burglar.

Twin K's Good Work. J. Gilbert Brady's brown mare, Tula K, driven by Maxfield, came in second in the 2.15 class pacing race at the Hudson River Driving Park, Monday. Tula K, a horse property, belonging to the K-10 class, won the race in a straight heat, time 2.10 1/2, 2.11 1/2, 2.11 1/2. Mr. Brady is highly pleased with Tula K's good performance.

Attention is called to the advertisement in this issue of the CITIZEN of S. M. Brown, painter, paper hanger and decorator, No. 25 Washington street.

THE HILLERY LAW.

Chairman Moore of the Board of Assessors Call the Attention to an Inconsistency in the Law.—If the Law is Sustained a Readjustment of Valuations must be Made.

A regular meeting of the Town Council was held Monday night and every member of the Council present, and the session while brief was not at all monotonous.

William Douglas Moore, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, called the attention of the Councilmen to the Hillery law which goes into effect next year. The point that Mr. Moore particularly called attention to in the law was its effect in respect to the county tax. The city of Newark under the law is permitted to have a tax rate of 1.70, while all other municipalities in the county will be arbitrarily limited to a tax rate of 1.50. It necessarily follows a lower basis of valuation can and will prevail in the municipality when the tax rate is 1.70 than in the municipalities that cannot exceed the 1.50 rate and consequently such municipalities will bear an undue proportion of the County burden. Mr. Moore suggested that the Councilmen take under consideration that provision in the law which permits any municipality to fix a tax rate by popular vote. The matter was referred to the Legal Committee of the Council.

The tax rate bill in 1903 was 3.10 the valuations were on a basis that met the approval of many holders of large tracts of property with the exception of the Brookdale district. The 1903 valuations were commended personally by Major Lantz of the State Board of Taxation and were used by him as a comparison with the assessment in other municipalities where it were claimed the assessors were not making a proper assessment.

If the Hillery law goes into effect and valuations of real estate will have to be adjusted on a basis that will limit the tax rate to 1.50, it will probably prove more satisfactory to the holders of the larger tracts of property if the 1903 valuations be taken as the basis to work upon. To effect a reduction of the tax rate from 3.10 to 1.50 is self evident that valuations must be increased over 100 per cent on the 1903 basis. Such an increase will bring valuations up to a point where there will be no question about true value and no assessors need suffer conscientious scruples about taking the oath prescribed by law to the effect that property has been assessed at the value it will sell for at fair and private sale.

The 1904 valuations caused too much of an uproar among the property owners to be taken as a basis for the readjustment, if it has to be made.

This matter of readjustment of valuations if the Hillery law stands is of great importance. The Board of Trade and Civic Union each have a committee on taxes and assessments and both organizations should instruct the respective committees to interest themselves in the matter. If the law is not a good one the work of organized movement for its repeal should be started at once.

Caught a Beat. The Public Service Corporation has secured evidence against one prominent citizen living in the Eighth Ward, Newark, who by collusion with a conductor has been saving five cents a day for many months by riding home to dinner on the Bloomfield line and getting a transfer with an hour limit enabling him to return to his office over Summer avenue. His name has not been disclosed, but it is understood that he is a lawyer and a prominent member of an uptown church. In the parlance of the road, he has been doing a shop girl's trick without indulging in flirtation with the conductor. An officer of the Public Service Company said on Friday that he was caught "dead to rights," and that the accommodating conductor was not working now.

Watseessing Avenue Extension. The effort made to extend Watseessing avenue through from Franklin street to Newark avenue, and thereby put a plot of building sites in the market, is blocked by a deep Harrison street lot. Some people contend that real property beyond the average depth should not be considered in assessment for taxes, but in nearly every instance where attempts have been made to purchase rear property for purposes of street openings or the straightening of property lines, it is invariably found that it is held at a proportionate high price.

Brookside Place Rented. Residents of Brookside place were aroused Wednesday night by the loud report of several shots, and the excitement was augmented by the news that burglars were in the street. The thieves three in number had made an attempt to enter the residence of George Gardin and were discovered by Arthur Charles who fired a shot from his pistol at them and the burglars fled. Mr. Charles took two more shots at them while they were on the run.

LOCAL POLITICS.

GREAT ACTIVITY MANIFESTED THROUGHOUT THE TOWN.

Executive Committee Met on Friday Night—A C. I. by Mass-meeting Will Be Held Wednesday Night—Third Ward Conference Monday Night.

The Town Republican Executive Committee, which is composed of the local election district members of the County Committee, held an important meeting on Friday night of last week. Chairman Charles F. Koehler presided. The approaching campaign was the business before the meeting. The committee decided to follow the plan laid down by the County Committee to the effect that the influence of the county organization should not be used to the detriment of the interests of any Republican aspirant for nomination by the County Republican Convention. It was also decided that each local member of the County Committee should appoint his own advisory committee in his particular district. This latter act is an important one, and shows an impartial stand on the part of the Executive Committee as a body in the Senatorial fight. It has been customary to delegate to the chairman of the committee the appointment of a large auxiliary committee in each election district. Owing to the active contest for the Senatorial nomination, Mr. Koehler, as chairman of the committee, was of the opinion that it would be unwise to follow that custom in the present instance, and thereby avoid any grounds of complaint about packed committees.

Assemblyman Everett Colby of West Orange, a candidate for the Republican nomination for State Senator from this county, will address a mass-meeting in Central Hall Wednesday evening, August 16. In addition to Mr. Colby John Montebello, William P. Martin, and possibly John Gibson, will speak. The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Colby Club of this town, and will be a public one, and a cordial invitation is extended to voters of every political party to attend. The club has engaged a drum corps for the evening, and is taking active measures for an enthusiastic demonstration.

Last Monday evening a conference was held in the rooms of the Young Men's Republican Club, to which all Republicans of the Third Ward who are interested in the September primaries were invited. About thirty prominent Republicans of both the districts of the ward attended. School Trustee George E. Bodell was chosen chairman. After addresses were made on the necessity of all Republicans working together for the best interests of the town and party, the subject of candidates for county committeeman and for ward councilman was discussed, and a committee of ten men, five from each district of the ward, was appointed to look into the availability of candidates for those offices. After a most satisfactory session the meeting adjourned until Friday evening, August 18, at which time the committee appointed will make its report.

Kramer-Fenn Match.

The match race between National Cycling Champion Frank L. Kramer and Willie Fenn that was to have taken place at the Valleyburg track in Newark, Tuesday night, was postponed for a week because of a wet track. The rain of the afternoon had soaked the boards and it was impossible to ride with safety. Consequently the match, which was for a purse of \$500 and to be decided in the best two-out of three half-mile heats was postponed until next Tuesday night, August 15.

The Harrison-Moore Races.

Dr. W. F. Harrison and William Douglas Moore met Monday night and discussed preliminaries for the race on Green Pond between their respective boats. Three races will be sailed—one over a triangular course, and another to the windward and return, and a third over a straight-away course. The three races will give ample opportunity to test the boats under varying conditions, and also the abilities of their respective skippers.

Millions of Acres for Settlers.

The annual report of the United States land office for the district centered about Spokane, Wash., discloses that there are 3,350,423 acres of Government land still unappropriated in the district. It covers Spokane, Stevens, Lincoln and Ferry counties, and portions of Adams, Douglas, Whitman and Okanogan counties. During the past fiscal year, ended June 30, the agent of the district disposed of 115,765 acres to settlers.

New Series of Stock.

The Bloomfield Building and Loan Association will open the twenty-sixth series of stock on Monday evening. The par value of this series is \$500. J. Banks Bedford is the secretary of the association and will receive subscriptions.

TOWN COUNCIL.

HELD A REGULAR MEETING MONDAY NIGHT.

Police and Fire Matters Discussed—Renewal of Lease of Council Rooms Submitted—Improvements and Assessment Acted On.

Gustav A. Rist of Brookdale, who has at previous times appeared before the Town Council on police matters, was present again Monday night, and scooped the Police Committee for not compelling Chief of Police Collins to wear a uniform consistent with the dignity of the position of Chief of Police. Councilman Chabot of the Police Committee replied to Mr. Rist that the chief met all the requirements in regard to official uniform.

The appointment of George Maxwell as a special policeman was recommended by Councilman Chabot and seconded by Councilman Green, but action was deferred at the request of Councilman Farrand.

The election of George Nuttman, Frank A. Osmun and Arthur Leuthausser, Jr., as members of Essex Truck Company was reported favorably by the Fire Committee and approved by the Council.

Councilman Green reported the immediate need of a stable at the new house of Active Hose Company, and he asked to have the matter referred to the Fire Committee with power, on the ground that it was useless to put the new fire wagon in the new house until some provision is made for keeping a horse there.

Councilman Murray opposed the erection of a new building until estimates as to cost were submitted.

Councilman Farrand presented a new lease from the Bloomfield National Bank for the rooms used as town offices for a term of five years at a rental of \$1,000 annually. He made a motion that the Council sign the lease.

Dr. Harrison offered an amendment that the lease be made for a period not longer than two years, but the motion was not seconded. Dr. Harrison, in supporting his recommendation, said that the town might have other opportunities for renting a building before five years. He did not think the town should be tied up for so long a term.

Mr. Farrand said that Lewis E. Dodd, the cashier of the bank, had said that that institution did not care to make a lease for less than five years.

A motion of Dr. Harrison to amend the resolution and lay the matter over until the next meeting was seconded by Mr. Chabot.

Mr. Farrand then withdrew his motion and the amendment of Dr. Harrison was carried. The Board of Health, through Town Attorney Halfpenny, asked for an appropriation of \$725 to pay the bills incurred by a case of smallpox, and he also asked the Council to take some action in the case of the smokestack in the rear of Benider's bakery, which, it is said, is too low. The matters were referred to the Legal Committee.

Two objections to the report of the improvement made on Olive street were read by the clerk, but were overruled, and the report of the Board of Assessors was adopted.

As there were no objections to the proposed sewer in Llewellyn avenue, the matter was referred to the Ordinance Committee.

Town Treasurer Osborne presented his report, showing a balance of \$4,141.37.

Civic Union.

The Civic Union officers for the year 1905-06 are as follows: Wm. S. B. Rowland, president; Henry Sternberger, first vice-president; Frank E. Dalley, second vice-president; E. N. Williamson, secretary; Dr. S. G. Hamilton, treasurer.

The committees: Council and Finance—John Newton, chairman; K. G. Duffield, E. J. Hughes, A. W. Burnett, George W. Cook, chairman; Police and Fire—W. E. Brown, chairman; George R. Egan, E. S. Wright, S. G. Hayter, Joseph Froman, Warren S. Moore.

Health and Fire—Wm. R. Dawson, chairman; E. D. Crane, F. S. Moore, John A. Hessebach, Harry White, Streets and Water—William Baggart, chairman; S. B. Cady, A. O. Barry, M. N. Higgins, W. W. Brock.

Education and Legal—Dr. R. W. Cornelison, chairman; Maurice O. Boyd, Dr. H. J. Weber, Charles L. Seibert. Assessments and Taxes—Howard M. Thomas, chairman; Frank J. Ball, P. A. Boyd, J. W. Cornish, F. A. Stone. Membership—Frank M. Kinkle, chairman; H. S. Bowman, W. S. Farrar.

Fell into a Sewer.

A horse owned by William Alworth & Son of 8 Elmwood avenue, Montclair, got away from its stable early Monday morning and wandered down Elmwood avenue toward Glen Ridge where a sewer is being constructed. The animal fell into a trench six feet deep, where it was found later. In order to get the horse out it became necessary to back it through the trench a distance of several hundred feet. The animal was slightly injured.

BOOKER WASHINGTON.

Invited to Address a Gathering of Essex County Colored People in Glenwood Park—Governor Stokes Has Promised to be Here if He Can Be Arranged—Mayor Fisher Requested to Formally Welcome Distinguished Guests.

Mayor George Fisher has received a request to deliver a formal address of welcome to Booker T. Washington, president of Tuskegee Alabama University, on the occasion of a contemplated visit here of the distinguished colored educator here some time in the latter part of this month.

The purpose for which Mr. Washington will come here is to address a gathering of the colored people of Essex County to be held in Glenwood Park, this town, shortly. This gathering will be under the auspices of the colored branch of the Young Men's Christian Association of the Oranges and it is anticipated will bring together a large congregation of colored people than has ever taken place in the history of the county.

Governor Stokes has been invited to attend and has expressed his willingness to do so if he can arrange it.

In addition to the Governor and Booker T. Washington a number of well-known men who have been interested in religious, educational and political work among the colored people have been invited, and the affair promises to be a notable event.

It is expected that the reception to Mr. Washington will be imposing and enthusiastic. The colored societies of various kinds from the Oranges, Montclair and Newark will probably parade as an escort to the distinguished guests.

The Colored Young Men's Christian Association of the Oranges has secured a lease of Glenwood Park and it is now being used for both religious purposes and for purposes of amusement. Baseball grounds, dancing pavilion and other provisions for amusement have been fitted up in the park.

The premises has been enclosed with a high fence and the management intends to conduct it as an exclusive and orderly place of entertainment for colored people. The annual camp meeting of the colored churches of Essex county will be held there and other open air religious gatherings will take place there from time to time. The park is again becoming popular as a picnic ground. The Bohrer Bros. employees used it on Wednesday of this week, the congregation of the Church of the Sacred Heart will use it next Wednesday for the annual church picnic, and Active Hose Company has engaged it for a firemen's picnic. The rentals derived from these outside sources go towards defraying the expenses of the colored organizations work in maintaining the park.

More Trolley Rumors.

Engineers in the employ of the Public Service Corporation are at work in Caldwell surveying a route from the present terminus of the Bloomfield avenue trolley line for an extension of the system to Singo, a distance of about three miles. The survey is being made through private property, including the Harrison estate for three-quarters of a mile, and also the Aubrey and Van Ness properties.

The proposed trolley would pass within close proximity to the site of the proposed new normal college, and also bring the people of the Caldwell within an hour's ride of Paterson, connecting at Singo with the trolley service now operated between Paterson, Little Falls and Singo. The new road will pass through the Fairfield district of the borough of West Caldwell, and it is believed will do much toward the building up of the farming district between Caldwell and Singo. The trolley people have for a long time been negotiating for an outlet to Paterson from the Caldwell terminus, and only recently secured the necessary rights of way to enable them to go ahead with the survey.

Malpin-Dunigan.

Michael Halpin of Newark and Miss Gertrude Dunigan, daughter of Mrs. Catherine Dunigan of No. 18 Hill street, were married Monday morning in the Church of the Sacred Heart by the Rev. J. M. Mardello, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. The bride was dressed in white organdie and carried roses. Miss Kathryn Dillon was the bridesmaid, and she was attired in white silk. Edward Oregon was the best man. The church decorations were put in place and palms. After a wedding breakfast at the home of the bride the couple left on a tour of Pennsylvania.

State His Money.

Nicholas Arnold, Jr., who lives in Race street, was sent on an errand to the Centre on Saturday afternoon last. The boy, who is seven years old, had a dollar bill in his hand, and when near the home of G. Lee Stout in Franklin street, a boy several years older snatched the money and made off with it.

COLBY-LENTZ.

AND BLOOMFIELD ANNEXATION BILL.

A Side Light on Last Winter's Fight at Trenton—Mr. Colby Tells the Inside History of Why This Town Was to be Annexed to Newark—Men of Wealth Had First Consideration on Account of Campaign Contributions.

An interesting feature of the Colby campaign has developed in the form of a personal controversy between Everett Colby, the leader of the Colby movement, and Major Carl Lentz, chairman of the Republican County Committee, and some sharp things are said on both sides, and the sooner the Republican leaders in Essex county put a stop to the controversy the better it will be for the party. Major Lentz attacked Mr. Colby's record as a member of the Assembly in matters of legislation in which corporations were interested. Mr. Colby has retorted with an attack on the Major's record as a party leader in matters in which corporations were interested, and as a result of the controversy the general public is getting much inside information as to the manner of conducting legislation at the State capital, and it is of a kind that has not been beneficial to the best interests of the dominant political party.

A feature of the controversy between the county committee leader and the aspirant for the Republican nomination for State Senator has resulted in some interesting revelations about the fight at Trenton last winter over the Bloomfield annexation bill—a fight in which Major Lentz was apparently worsted. Mr. Colby thus describes an incident in that fight:

"In the early part of last year Newark's Common Council passed an ordinance specifying that in any municipality annexed to Newark in which a limited franchise existed the limited franchise should become perpetual; also that any trolley line in the annexed portion should go on a five per cent. gross receipt basis. It made no difference how valuable the franchise might become, Newark would never be able to tax the franchisees at a greater rate, so the people could enjoy greater returns on the profits of the corporation.

"As soon as the ordinance was passed there was a sudden desire manifested on the part of certain wealthy people in Bloomfield that Bloomfield should be annexed to Newark. Only seven months before the question as to whether the annexation should take place was submitted to the people and annexation was defeated. Yet in the face of that fact these rich men—and if I'm not mistaken one was an attorney of the Public Service Corporation—came down to Trenton and wanted the law passed to allow Bloomfield to vote within eleven months for annexation.

"I said, 'That law is bad and I will not vote for it.' Major Lentz came to me and said, 'Colby, you must vote for that bill.'

"Major Lentz came to me that day," added the speaker, "with five or six influential men of Bloomfield, and in the corridor of the State House he introduced me to the men and said:

"Mr. Colby, here are some men, prominent Bloomfield Republicans; they want that annexation bill reported from committee. These men have given largely to our campaign fund, and we must oblige them.

"I said to the Major, 'I cannot and will not support that bill.' The men went away angry and Mr. Lentz got ugly. That day I took the chairman of the committee to luncheon at a Trenton hotel. Major Lentz and the men he had introduced me to sat at an adjoining table. When he saw me the Major deliberately arose, walked across the dining-room and put his head between my self and my guest. Without any apologies he said, 'Colby, are you in opposition to me in this matter?' I answered that I was. Major Lentz said, 'All right; that settles it.'

"The next day a friend said to me: 'The Major says the break between you and him has occurred, and it was over that Bloomfield annexation bill.' Well, that bill was killed.

"Why, in killed to that bill, Major Lentz said to me at one time that if I would agree to help get the bill out of committee he would agree to have a plank put in his platform embracing the points I advocated. I refused, and imagine my surprise when the county committee passed a resolution in which was a plank establishing the principles for which I had worked so hard.

"Mr. Colby will speak at a mass-meeting in Central Hall next Wednesday night, and the people of Bloomfield will probably hear directly from his own lips some more of the story of the annexation fight.

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